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1. C- ENTIRE TEXT
2. CHARGE JUNE 11 CONVEYED POINTS IN REF A TO MFA AMERICAN AND OCEANIAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR HAN XU, WHO EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE PROMPT AND INFORMATIVE RESPONSE. HAN SAID THE CHINESE SIDE WOULD REVIEW THE LIST OF TOPICS AND PROVIDE SUGGESTIONS OF ITS OWN, SINCE IT WAS POSSIBLE CERTAIN TOPICS MIGHT BE MORE APPROPRIATE FOR DISCUSSION WITH ONE LEADER OR ANOTHER.

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IF CHINESE VIEWS COULD NOT BE PROVIDED BEFORE THE SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL, HAN SUGGESTED THAT ASSISTANT CONFIDENTIAL

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SECRETARY HOLDRIDGE AND THE CHARGE MEET WITH

VICE MINISTER ZHANG WENJIN AND HAN HIMSELF AT THE GUEST HOUSE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL TO REVIEW THE SCHEDULE AND MAKE ANY LAST MINUTE ADJUSTMENTS IN THE TOPICS FOR EACH MEETING.

3. HAN ASKED

4. ON THE QUESTION OF SPECIALIST MEETINGS, HAN OBSERVED THAT THE US RESPONSE DID NOT ADDRESS THE QUESTION OF WHAT THE SECRETARY HAD IN MIND IN SUGGESTING THESE MEETINGS COULD BE "COMBINED" WITH THE LARGER MEETINGS (REF B, PARA 3D). CHARGE SAID IT SEEMED CLEAR FROM THE US RESPONSE THAT THE INTENTION WAS TO HAVE THESE SPECIALIST MEETINGS TAKE PLACE SEPARATE FROM THE LARGER MEETINGS. HAN ASKED WHETHER PM DIRECTOR BURT, GENERAL WALTERS, AND DOD DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ARMITAGE COULD MEET WITH CHAI CHENGWEN AT THE SAME TIME, OR WHETHER SEPARATE MEETINGS WERE DESIRED. HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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CHAI COULD MEET WITH THEM JOINTLY. CHARGE SAID HE WOULD SEEK SPECIFIC GUIDANCE ON THIS QUESTION (NOTE: THE CHINESE HAVE APPARENTLY ALREADY SCHEDULED SEPARATE MEETINGS FOR ARMITAGE AND BURT WITH CHAI CHENGWEN).

5. CHARGE REAFFIRMED HIS EARLIER REMARKS ON US PRESS PLAY, ADDING THAT EXTENSIVE DISCUSSION OF THE TAIWAN ISSUE IN THE CHINESE PRESS IN CONNECTION WITH THE VISIT WOULD ONLY SERVE TO FOCUS ATTENTION ON THIS ISSUE. MENTION OF THE WEISSKOPF WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE (STATE 152052) ROSE IN THIS CONNECTION.

~~CHARGE NOTED THAT THE WEISSKOPF ARTICLE WAS BASED ON CHINESE SOURCES AND THAT EMBOFFS HAD ADVISED WEISSKOPF THAT THE VIEWS IN HIS ARTICLE CONFLICTED WITH THE OFFICIAL PRC POSITION ON THE QUESTION OF ARMS SALES TO TAIWAN, AS PUBLICLY REAFFIRMED BY THE MFA SPOKESMAN ON JUNE 9.~~

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